

**CITY OF SANTA BARBARA
FIRE & POLICE COMMISSION MINUTES**

Thursday **June 25, 2009** @ 4:30
Santa Barbara Police Department
215 E. Figueroa St.

REGULAR MEETING

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:

Present: Commissioners: Lennon, Signor, Parker and Rodriguez

Staff Present: Chief Cam Sanchez, Acting Deputy Fire Chief Dean Sylvies, Assistant City Attorney David McDermott, Sergeant Riley Harwood, Police Technician Holly Michels and Secretary, Barbara Sansone

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION: Rodriguez to approve minutes of **May 28, 2009**

VOTE: Unanimous voice vote: Motion passed

3. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Any member of the public may address the Fire & Police Commission for up to one minute on any subject within the jurisdiction of the Commission that is not scheduled for a public hearing before the Commission. The total time for this item is 10 minutes. If you wish to address the Commission under this item, please complete and deliver to the Commission Secretary before the meeting is convened, a "Request to Speak" form, including a description of the subject you wish to address.

(See Agenda item #8)

4. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Tom Parker attended Council meeting, Police Department budget approved

5. OLD BUSINESS:

None

6. NEW BUSINESS:

None

7. RESTORATIVE POLICING PRESENTATION – Chief Sanchez

Chief Sanchez gave an overview of the department's Restorative Policing Program

- Program started in San Rafael to deal with dual diagnosis - mentally ill/homeless
- Working with Sheriff's Department, County Mental Health and other non-profits
- Officer Keld Hove is the Restorative Policing Officer; clients/prisoners are released to Officer Hove after serving their time; Officer Hove brings them to a shelter or service agency instead of releasing them into the community
- Mental Health Association has funds that are used for airfare, bus fare, to reunite these rehabilitated citizens with their families
- All officers are trained in Crisis Intervention Training, learning to identify mental illness when they go to a call

8. NIGHTCLUB DANCE PERMIT FOR UNCLE ROCCO'S NY PIZZA

Present: Matt Olufs, broker & Rocco Marmonte, owner

Present for Public Comment: Ms. Zannon, Resident; Kay Morter, Mgr. Holiday Inn Express; Tamara Erickson, Hotel Santa Barbara; all spoke against issuing the dance permit for Uncle Rocco's NY Pizza: Secretary Barbara Sansone read an email aloud from Susie Thompson who was out of town. Ms. Thompson's email also asked the Commission to deny granting a permit to Uncle Rocco's.

Matt Olufs and Rocco Marmonte asked to grant the permit even though they do not wish to become a dance club; Uncle Rocco's has been cited for people just briefly dancing to the juke box, which is mostly Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Billy Holiday and that style of music; Matt Olufs and Rocco Marmonte gave a handout to the Commissioners stating their past experiences with dancing, the style of music played, dealing with "under 21" after 10:00 pm at night, being commended by the ABC for turning down service to a department decoy, etc. – this handout will be called "Exhibit 1 or Document 1."

MOTION: Rodriguez to deny issuing a dance permit to Uncle Rocco's
Assistant City Attorney David McDermott asked for "findings" to deny the permit; Parker restated the denial motion citing item 4 (b) of the dance ordinance as the reason ("it lacks the appropriate and necessary ingress and egress for entering or exiting the structure in terms of its occupancy limitations and the applicable fire code requirements")

VOTE: Unanimous voice vote to deny, with findings, the dance permit for Uncle Rocco's NY Pizza

Assistant City Attorney David McDermott advised Mr. Marmonte and Mr. Olufs that they can appeal the Commissioners decision to Council

9. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Present: Acting Deputy Chief, Dean Sylvies

- Broken water pipe in their office
- Structure fire on W. Valerio
- Gas main leak on Santa Barbara & De la Guerra Streets
- Confirmed that Organizational Chart was given to Commissioners

10. POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT

- Budget went well/good support by Mayor and Council
- 2 non-sworn positions lost – IT position & Range Master
- Vallejo gave 17 pink slips to officers
- Stockton let 60 employees go
- 2 graduating from Academy tomorrow – June 26, 2009; one of these graduates is the class Sergeant and will lead the class into the auditorium
- Open entry testing this Friday, June 27, 2009; 180 confirmed to show up; physical agility testing on the following day; competing for 4 positions; department will stay at 140 sworn
- The departure of the Lab Technician will be turned into a Police Technician spot who will act as the Range Master/lab assistant
- IT position that was lost, Daniel Takacs, got a job with the City and is thinking of becoming a police officer
- Some of the long term IT projects will have to go on the back burner
- Several people will be attending the September academy

- Ventura Academy will not be holding a September class so we are looking into San Bernardino, Rio Hondo in Whittier and Hancock College in Santa Maria
- On Patrol will be airing on July 11th on Fox and Cox 8 (not on KEYT as was stated at this meeting); we will receive \$14,000 for these shows and it will be designated to the K-9 program
- Council has approved the remodel of parts of our building; locker rooms, Dispatch; \$7,000,000 has been set aside for this; everyone will be moved from this building for 1 year during the remodel

12. ADJOURN: 5:30